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Transmitted herewith is an amendment (6 pages) and Appendix (1 page) in the above-identified application. Also enclosed are:

- [X] A Request for Three-Month Extension of Time.
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AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the September 10, 2002, office action, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 2-14 and 16-23.

Please add new claims 24-27 as follows:

- 24. The method according to claim 1, wherein the patient at risk for systemic inflammatory response syndrome and complications thereof is a patient who has sustained trauma.
- 25. The method according to claim 1, wherein the patient at risk for systemic inflammatory response syndrome and complications thereof is a patient who has sustained life threatening blood loss from penetrating injury.